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Applicant: Li-An Yeh et al.
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For: THIOPHENE DERIVATIVES FOR UP-REGULATING HLA-DM
ACTIVITY
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed July 22, 2011. Applicant hereby elects Group VI, drawn to methods of using compounds of groups I-V for continued examination (without traverse). Group VI encompasses at least claims 24, 29, 45, 68 and new claims 114-125 as shown in the Second Preliminary Amendment filed concurrently herewith.

As further required by the Examiner upon election of Group VI, Applicant elects compounds of Group I and the following species:

R1 is cyclohexyl;

R2 is OH;

R3 is phenyl;

X is S;

Y is S; and

R4 is CN.

The species election is made with the understanding that it is required for searching purposes only and that all species will be considered should the generic claim be found to be allowable under 37 C.F.R. §1.141(a).

Having made the election, Applicant expressly reserves the right to file one or more continuing applications on the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicant hereby requests any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 23/2825, under Docket No. D0504.70009US00.

Dated: September 21, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

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